Appendix II: Species Likely to Benefit from MPAs and Special Status Species in the North Central Coast

- (a) Species likely to benefit from marine protected areas in the north central coast study region
- (b) Special status species likely to occur in north central coast California

Appendix II(a): Species likely to benefit from MPAs in the north central coast study region

California MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team
List of Species Likely to Benefit from
Marine Protected Areas in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region
(revised October 3, 2007)

The Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) requires that species likely to benefit from marine protected areas (MPAs) be identified; identification of these species will contribute to the identification of habitat areas that will support achieving the goals of the MLPA. The draft *Marine Life Protection Act Master Plan for Marine Protected Areas (July 2006)* includes a broad list of species likely to benefit from protection within MPAs. The master plan also indicates that regional lists will be developed by the master plan science advisory team (SAT) for each study region of the California coast.

Attached to this document are the list of species likely to benefit for the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region (Alder Creek/Point Arena in Mendocino County to Pigeon Point in San Mateo County), as well as a list of the species *most likely to benefit* for the study region. These lists were adopted by the SAT on October 1, 2007, but may be modified by the SAT in the future as more information becomes available.

Species are included in the list of species likely to benefit if they meet one or more of these conditions:

- They occur in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region.
- They are taken directly or indirectly in commercial or recreational fisheries.
- They have life history characteristics that make them more conducive to protection by MPAs, such as: sedentary behavior, long life spans, slow growth, or association with habitats that need additional spatial protection. An MPA would be expected to increase the species abundance or spawning biomass if the species is at an abnormally low abundance or abnormally low size frequency (i.e. below the range of natural fluctuations).

While this list is approximate, there are other species that may benefit or even diminish by establishing an MPA. In addition, it should be noted that many species have not yet been assessed for abundance or size frequency or their full life history requirements are not yet known.

The SAT defined the species *most likely to benefit* as those likely to show a detectable change in local population as a result of MPA implementation. Species are included in the species most likely to benefit list if they meet one or more of the following conditions:

- There is evidence for direct fishing effects on the species in question (e.g., the species is targeted by a fishery, known to be taken as bycatch in a local fishery, or fishing reduces important resources required of a species).
- The species suffers negative impacts associated with human activities other than fishing.
- A significant proportion of the species distribution occurs within habitats represented in the study region.

Table 1: Invertebrate species MOST likely to benefit from marine protected areas in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region

abalone, red	Haliotis rufescens
clam, littleneck (Tomales Bay cockle)	Protothaca staminea
limpets	Lottia gigantea
mussels, native	Mytilus californianus
snail, turban	Tegula funebralis
urchin, red	Strongylocentrotus franciscanus

Table 2: Fish species MOST likely to benefit from marine protected areas in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region

	0 '14'
cabezon	Scorpaenichthys marmoratus
eel, wolf	Anarrhichthys ocellatus
flounder, starry	Platichthys stellatus
greenling, kelp	Hexagrammos decagrammus
greenling, rock	Hexagrammos lagocephalus
lingcod	Ophiodon elongatus
prickleback, monkeyface	Cebidichthys violaceus
prickleback, rock	Xiphister mucosus
ray, bat	Myliobatis californicus
rockfish, black	Sebastes melanops
rockfish, black-and-yellow	Sebastes chrysomelas
rockfish, blue	Sebastes mystinus
rockfish, bocaccio	Sebastes paucispinis
rockfish, brown	Sebastes auriculatus
rockfish, calico	Sebastes dalli
rockfish, China	Sebastes nebulosus
rockfish, copper	Sebastes caurinus
rockfish, flag	Sebastes rubrivinctus
rockfish, gopher	Sebastes carnatus
rockfish, grass	Sebastes rastrelliger
rockfish, greenspotted	Sebastes chlorostictus
rockfish, kelp	Sebastes atrovirens
rockfish, olive	Sebastes serranoides
rockfish, quillback	Sebastes maliger

rockfish, rosy	Sebastes rosaceus
rockfish, speckled	Sebastes ovalis
rockfish, squarespot	Sebastes hopkinsi
rockfish, starry	Sebastes constellatus
rockfish, treefish	Sebastes serriceps
rockfish, vermilion	Sebastes miniatus
rockfish, yelloweye	Sebastes ruberrimus
rockfish, yellowtail	Sebastes flavidus
smelt, surf	Hypomesus pretiosus
surfperch, calico	Amphistichus koelzi
surfperch, black	Emibiotoca jacksoni
surfperch, pile	Damalichthys vacca
surfperch, rainbow	Hypsurus caryi
surfperch, redtailed	Amphistichus rhodoterus
surfperch, rubberlip	Phacochilus toxotes
surfperch, shiner	Cymatogaster aggregata
surfperch, striped	Embiotoca lateralis
surfperch, walleye	Hyperprosopon argenteum
surfperch, white	Phanerodon furcatus

Table 3: Bird and Mammal species MOST likely to benefit from marine protected areas in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region

brant (goose)	Branta bernicla
cormorant, Brandt's	Phalacrocorax penicillatus
cormorant, double-crested	Phalacrocorax auritus
cormorant, pelagic	Phalacrocorax pelagicus
grebe, Western/Clark's	Aechmophorus occidentalis, clarkii
guillemot, pigeon	Cepphus columba
murre, common	Uria aalge
murrelet, marbled	Brachyramphus marmoratus
oystercatcher, black	Haematopus bachmani
plover, snowy	Charadrius alexandrinus
porpoise, harbor	Phocoena phocena
sandpiper, western	Calidris mauri
scaup, lesser	Aythya affinis
scoter, surf	Melanitta perspicillata
sea lion, Steller	Eumetopias jubatus
sea otter, southern	Enhydra lutris
seal, harbor	Phoca vitulina
surfbird	Aphriza virgata
willet	Catoptrophorus semipalmatus
	•

MLPA Master Plan Science Advisory Team List of Species Likely to Benefit in the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region Revised October 2, 2007

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
Invertebrates															
abalone, black	Haliotis cracherodii		Rock	0	6	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters
abalone, red	Haliotis rufescens	Х	Rock	0	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	Short-lived, non-feeding larval stage, Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters
barnacles, gooseneck	Pollicipes polymerus		Rock	0	1	1	1	ND	ND	ND	0	0	1	1	Habitat forming, some intertidal take
chiton, giant	Cryptochiton stelleri		Rock	0	20	1	ND	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	low recruitment rate and long life span (O'Clair and O'Clair 1998), historically harvested by Native Americans, current harvest is unknown
clam, gaper	Tresus nuttallii		Sandy mud	0	30	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
clam, geoduck	Panopea generosa		Sandy mud	0	110	1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Rare but occasionally found in Tomales bay, long lived
clam, littleneck (tomales bay cockle)	Protothaca staminea	х	Coarse Sand	0	0	1	1	1	ND	1	0	0	1	0	Manila littleneck clam is particularly abundant in San Francisco Bay and other estuaries to the north in the intertidal*
clam, washington	Saxidomus nuttali		Sand, mud	0	5	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
corals			Rock	12	152	1	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	1	1	Possible impacts from trawling or other bottom contact
crab, brown rock	Cancer antennarius		Both	0	101	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters
crab, dungeness	Cancer magister		Sand	0	230	0	1	1	ND	0	0	0	0	0	Due to management regime, no size shift
crab, red rock	Cancer productus		Both	0	229	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters
crab, sand	Emerita analoga		Sand	0	0	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
limpets	Lottia gigantea	Χ	Rock	0	30	1	1	0	ND	1	0	0	1	1	Rec harvest, removal impacts other species
mussels, native	Mytilus californianus	Χ	Rock	0	40	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	1	Removal impacts other species
octopus spp.	Octopus spp.		Rock	0	30	ND	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
oyster, native	Ostrea conchaphila (lurida)		Rock	0	30	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	Restoration efforts in Tomales Bay
prawn, spot	Pandalus platyceros		Sand	46	488	1	0	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
scallop, rock	Hinnites giganteus		Rock	0	30	1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Evidence of positive impact in Southern CA reserves
sea cucumbers	Parastichopus californicus					1	0	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
sea pens			Sand	8	91	1	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	1	1	Possible impacts from trawling or other bottom contact
sea stars	Pisaster ochraceous, Pycnopodia helianthoides		Both	0	183	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	1	Keystone species in intertidal
shrimp, blue mud	Upogebia pugettensis		Sand	0	0	1	0	ND	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	
shrimp, ghost	Callianassa californiensis		Sand	0	0	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Fish bait
shrimp, pink	Pandalus jordani		Pelagic	45	370	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
snail, moon	Polinices lewisii		Sand	0	152	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	
snail, turban	Tegula funebralis	Χ	Rock	0	76	1	1	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Often taken in intertidal (KN)
sponges			Rock	0	610	1	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	1	1	Possible impacts from trawling or other bottom contact
squid, market	Loligo opalescens		Pelagic, Sand	0	0	0	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	1	Both forage species and predators on small fishes; vulnerable to large-scale changes in the environment driven by El Nino Southern Oscillation events**
urchin, purple	Strongylocentrotus purpuratus		Both	0	92	1	0	0	0	ND	0	0	0	1	Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters, removal impacts other species
urchin, red	Strongylocentrotus franciscanus	Χ	Both	0	90	1	1	0	0	ND	0	0	0	1	Only benefit in areas absent of sea otters, removal impacts other species
worm, inkeeper	Urechis caupo		Sand	0	ND	1	1	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Harvested for bait, abundance decreasing locally in Bodega harbor (KN)
worms			Both	0	183	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	
worms, phoronid	Phoronopsis viridis		Sand	0	30	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	0	1	Rare worldwide but abundant in the region (KN)
worms, phragmatopoma	Phragmatopoma spp.		Both	0	ND	1	0	0	0	ND	0	0	1	1	Reef building polychaete

Plants and Alga		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
												_			(Nori), localized commercial take, habitat forming, some
algae, red	Porphyra spp.		Rock	0	ND	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	cultural take
eel grass	Zostera marina		Sand	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	Important but will an MPA protect? Biggest threats are sedimentation and nutrient loading. What about disturbance from boats?
kelp, bull	Nereocystis luetkeana		Rock	0	18	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	Potential for harvest
kelp, winged	Alaria marginata		Rock	0	ND	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	Localized commercial take, habitat forming
other intertidal algal species	Laminaria spp.		Rock	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	Localized commercial take, habitat forming
other intertidal algal species	Hedophyllum sessile		Rock	0	ND	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	Localized commercial take, habitat forming
other intertidal algal species	Lessoniopsis littorallis		Rock	0	ND	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	Localized commercial take, habitat forming
rock weeds	Order Fucales including Fucus spp.		Rock	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	Will only benefit in no-transit areas (reduce trampling) - localized commercial take, habitat forming
sea palm	Postelsia palmaeformis		Rock	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	Commercial and cultural take; possibly double protection will reduce recreational poaching
surf grass	Phyllospadix scouleri & P. torreyi		Rock	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	Important but will an MPA protect? Biggest threats are sedimentation and nutrient loading.
Fishes															
cabezon	Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Х	Rock	0	110	1	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	0	
croaker, white	Genyonemus lineatus		Sand	0	238	0	1	0	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Are these abundant enough to be fished in the region?
eel, wolf	Anarrhichthys ocellatus	Х	Rock	0	226	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	1	0	0	Sedentary; mate-for-life? Large size, potential forage increase without urchin harvest
flounder, starry	Platichthys stellatus	Х	Sand	1	600	ND	1	1	0	ND	0	0	1	0	Estuarine nurseries, don't appear to move much (Love 1991)
goby, tidewater	Eucyclogobius newberryi		Sand	0	3	1	0	0	1	ND	0	0	1	0	Endangered?
greenling, kelp	Hexagrammos decagrammus	Х	Rock	0	130	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
greenling, rock	Hexagrammos lagocephalus	Х	Rock	0	80	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Recreational catch from piers

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
hagfish, Pacific	Eptatretus stoutii		Sand, Rock	16	966	0	0	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
halibut, California	Paralichthys californicus		Sand	0	281	0	1	1	0	ND	0	1	0	0	Nursery and spawning aggregations
halibut, Pacific	Hippoglossus stenolepis		Sand, Rock	6	1100	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	1	0	0	Rare but caught incidentally and marketed - young recruit to shallow waters
herring, Pacific	Culpea pallasi		Both	0	302	0	0	1	ND	ND	1	1	1	0	Spawning aggregations in estuaries, populations subject to environmental fluctuations
lingcod	Ophiodon elongatus	Χ	Rock	0	475	1	1	1	1	ND	0	1	0	0	Reproductive aggregations
longjaw mudsucker	Gillichthys mirabilis		sand	0	10	1	0	0	0	ND	0	0	1	0	Fished for bait, highly territorial in estuaries
prickleback, monkeyface	Cebidichthys violaceus	Х	Rock	0	24	1	0	1	ND	ND	1	0	1	0	Homing; tidepools; large TL; potential local depletion
prickleback, rock	Xiphister mucosus	Х	Rock	0	18	1	0	ND	ND	ND	1	0	1	0	potential local depletion
ray, bat	Myliobatis californicus	х	Sand, Rock	0	108	0	0	0	ND	ND	1	1	1	1	Aggregate to spawn and breed inshore. Top predator. Digging in sand has profound impact on invertebrate community.
rockfish, bank	Sebastes rufus		Rock	31	454	ND	1	1	ND	1	1	0	0	0	Declines in pop size and age/length in fishery preferred depth mostly deeper than state waters
rockfish, black	Sebastes melanops	Χ	Rock	0	366	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	Per Steve Ralston, CA population likely below 40%
rockfish, black- and-yellow	Sebastes chrysomelas	Х	Rock	0	37	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, blue	Sebastes mystinus	Χ	Rock	0	549	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	Filter barnacle larvae (Gaines and Roughgarden)
rockfish, bocaccio	Sebastes paucispinis	Х	Rock	0	481	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	Top predator; adults with low movement. Declining lengths in central CA CPFV (Mason 1998)
rockfish, brown	Sebastes auriculatus	Х	Rock	0	146	1	1	1	ND	0	1	0	0	0	Locally important in places like San Franisco Bay since 1850
rockfish, calico	Sebastes dalli	Χ	Rock	0	305	1	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, canary	Sebastes pinniger		Rock	0	439	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	Declining lengths in central CA CPFV (Mason 1998) preferred depth mostly deeper than state waters
rockfish, chilipepper	Sebastes goodei		rock	0	491	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	Declining lengths in central CA CPFV (Mason 1998), preferred depth mostly deeper than state waters
rockfish, china	Sebastes nebulosus	Χ	rock	3	128	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, copper	Sebastes caurinus	Х	Rock	0	185	1	1	1	ND	1	1	0	0	0	

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
rockfish, flag	Sebastes rubrivinctus	Χ	Rock	30	418	1	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, gopher	Sebastes carnatus	Х	Rock	0	86	1	1	1	0	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, grass	Sebastes rastrelliger	Χ	Rock	0	46	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, greenspotted	Sebastes chlorostictus	Х	Both	30	379	1	0	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, greenstriped	Sebastes elongatus		Sand/ Interface	12	1145	1	0	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Preferred depth mostly deeper than state waters
rockfish, kelp	Sebastes atrovirens	Χ	Rock	0	58	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, olive	Sebastes serranoides	Χ	Rock	0	172	1	1	1	ND	1	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, quillback	Sebastes maliger	Х	rock	5	274	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, rosy	Sebastes rosaceus	Χ	Rock	7	263	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, speckled	Sebastes ovalis	Х	Rock	30	366	1	0	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, squarespot	Sebastes hopkinsi	Х	Rock	18	305	1	0	0	0	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, starry	Sebastes constellatus	Χ	Rock	15	274	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, treefish	Sebastes serriceps	Х	Rock	0	98	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	
rockfish, vermilion	Sebastes miniatus	Х	Rock	0	439	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	Southern CA declines in length (Love et al.)
rockfish, widow	Sebastes entomelas		Rock	0	800	0	0	1	1	ND	1	1	0	0	Preferred range mostly deeper than state waters - known to aggregate around pinnacles/seamounts
rockfish, yelloweye	Sebastes ruberrimus	Х	Rock	15	549	1	0	1	1	ND	1	0	0	1	Preferred range mostly deeper than state waters. Top predator.
rockfish	Sebastes flavidus	Х	Rock	0	549	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	Preferred range mostly deeper than state waters - declining lengths in central CA CPFV (Mason 1998)
sanddab, Pacific	Citharichthys sordidus		Sand	0	549	0	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	0	Recreational catch
seabass, giant	Stereolepis gigas		Rock	6	46	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	Already protected but some incidental catch and gear can kill even those thrown back
seabass, white	Atractoscion nobilis		Both	0	120	ND	1	1	ND	ND		1	1	0	Seagrass beds as nursery grounds, historic fishery in Tomales Bay

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
shark, broadnose sevengill	Notorynchus cepidianus		Sand	0	136	0	0	0	ND	ND	0	1	1	0	Estuarine nurseries, recreational and some commercial catch (Ebert, 2003)
shark, brown smoothhound	Mustelus henlei		Sand	0	281	0	1	1	ND	ND	1	1	1	0	Inshore nursery, recreational and some commercial in estuaries?
shark, leopard	Triakis semifasciata		Sand	0	157	0	1	0	ND	ND	1	1	1	0	Estuarine pupping and nursery grounds. Very common in kelp beds, often up in water column in kelp beds at night.
skate, big	Raja binoculata		Sand	2	800	0	1	0	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Low fecundity, recreational catch and bycatch, wing meat sold (Ebert 2003)
skate, California	Raja inornata		Sand	13	1600	0	1	0	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Recreational catch and bycatch wing meat sold (Ebert 2003)
skate, longnose	Raja rhina		Sand	9	1069	0	1	0	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Low fecundity
smelt, surf	Hypomesus pretiosus	Х	Sand	0	9	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	1	1	0	Spawn in surfzone, distinct local spawning populations
smelt, top-	Antherinops affinis		Sand	0	26	ND	0	0	ND	ND	0	1	1	0	Eggs laid on plants in backwater
sole, Dover	Microstomus pacificus		Sand	2	1372	0	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	0	Nursery and spawning nearshore, otherwise a deeper water spp.
sole, English	Pleuronectes vetulus		Sand	0	549	1	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	0	Limited movement (Love 1991)
sole, petrale	Eopsetta jordani		Sand	0	549	0	1	1	1	ND	0	0	0	0	Preferred range is mostly deeper than state waters
sole, rex	Glyptocephauls zachirus		Sand	0	1145	0	1	1	0	ND	0	0	0	0	Preferred range is mostly deeper than state waters
sole, rock	Lepidopsetta bilineata		Rock	0	579	1	1	1	0	ND	1	0	0	0	Variable recruitment based on oceanographic factors, small range of adult movement (Love 1991)
sole, sand	Psettichthys melanostictus		Sand	0	325	ND	1	1	ND	ND	0	1	0	0	Juveniles in estuaries
surfperc, calico	Amphistichus koelzi	Χ	Sand	0	10	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Sandy beaches; piers
surfperch, black	Emibiotoca jacksoni	Х	Rock	0	46	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	1	0	Piers; jetties; estuaries; kelp; low fecundity
surfperch, pile	Damalichthys vacca	Χ	Rock	0	90	1	1	1	ND	ND	1	0	0	0	Piers; jetties; estuaries; kelp; low fecundity
surfperch, rainbow	Hypsurus caryi	Х	Rock	0	50	ND	0	0	ND	ND	1	0	1	0	Harbors; eelgrass. Some evidence they move inshore and offshore, movements are not known; low fecundity.
surfperch, redtailed	Amphistichus rhodoterus	Х	Sand	0	24	1	0	0	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Sandy beaches; piers

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
surfperch, rubberlip	Phacochilus toxotes	Х	Rock	0	50	ND	0	1	ND	ND	1	0	1	0	Piers; jetties; kelp; low fecundity
surfperch, shiner	Cymatogaster aggregata	Х	Both	0	146	ND	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Estuaries; kelpbeds
surfperch, striped	Embiotoca lateralis	Х	Rock	0	50	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Piers; jetties; estuaries; kelp
surfperch, walleye	Hyperprosopon argenteum	Х	Both	0	182	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	Sandy beaches; piers
surfperch, white	Phanerodon furcatus	Х	Both	0	70	1	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Estuaries
turbot, C-O	Pleuronectes coenosus		Sand	0	300	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
turbot, diamond	Hypsopsetta guttulata		Sand	0	46	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	1	0	Often found in estuaries and brackish water
turbot, hornyhead	Pleruonichthys verticalis		Sand	9	201	0	1	1	ND	ND	0	0	0	0	
Seabirds (breedi	ng)														
auklet, Cassin's	Ptychoramphus aleuticus		Sand, mud	0	80	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	potential human disturbance reduction from lights, California species of special concern.
auklet, rhinoceros	Cerorhinca monocerata		Sand, mud	0	30	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction from lights, California species of special concern.
cormorant, Brandt's	Phalacrocorax penicillatus	Х	Sand, mud	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds mainly on small schooling fish (e.g., juv. rockfish, anchovy, etc.) in coastal waters.
cormorant, double-crested	Phalacrocorax auritus	х	Sand, mud	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds mainly on small schooling fish in coastal estuaries.
cormorant, pelagic	Phalacrocorax pelagicus	Х	Rock	0	30	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds mainly on small fish (e.g., juv. rockfish, cottids,) and mysid shrimp in nearshore waters near breeding colonies. Sensitive to reductions in prey.

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
guillemot, pigeon	Cepphus columba	Х	Rock	0	30	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feed on small fish (juv. Rockfish, cottids, sanddabs) in nearshore waters near colonies. Sensitive to reductions in prey.
murre, common	Uria aalge	Х	Sand, mud	0	183	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Has been impacted in past as fisheries bycatch (gill-net). Recently, some take in rockfish hook-and-line around Farallon Islands.
murrelet, marbled	Brachyramphus marmoratus	х	Sand, mud	0	30	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	Significant decline in California population, potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feed on small fish and zooplankton in nearshore waters. Restricted distribution. Federally threatened, state endangered
oystercatcher, black	Haematopus bachmani		Rock	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds on intertidal molluscs on coastal rocks, reefs.
storm-petrel, ashy	Oceanodroma homochroa		NA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction, restricted distribution, population declining
storm-petrel, Leach's	Oceanodroma leucorhoa		NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction
Seabirds (migrar	nt)														
brant	Branta bernicla	Х	Sand	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Eelgrass specialist. Winters in coastal estuaries. Declined in California due to loss of eelgrass habitat.
bufflehead	Bucephala albeola		Sand, mud	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Winters in coastal estuaries. Feeds on benthic invertebrates and small fish.
dowitcher, long- billed	Limnodromus scolopaceus		Mud, sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.
dowitcher, short- billed	Limnodromus griseus		Mud, sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
dunlin	Calidris alpina		Mud, sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.
godwit, marbled	Limosa fedoa		Sand, mud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.
goldeneye, common	Bucephala clangula		Sand, mud	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Winters in coastal estuaries. Feeds on benthic invertebrates (molluscs, worms)and small fish.
grebe, eared	Podiceps nigricollis		Sand, mud	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	potential human disturbance reduction. Mainly fall-spring. Feed on small fish in coastal waters, estuaries.
grebe, Western/Clark's	Aechmophorus occidentalis, clarkii	Х	Sand, mud	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Mainly fall-spring. Feed on small fish in coastal waters, estuaries.
pelican, brown	Pelecanus occidentalis		Sand, mud	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		potential human disturbance reduction, federally and state endangered - downlisting under consideration
plover, black- bellied	Pluvialis squatarola		Mud, sand, rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Migrant and winter. Feeds on intertidal inverterbrates on mudlfats, reefs.
sandpiper, western	Calidris mauri	Х	mud, sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.
scaup, lesser	Aythya affinis	х	Sand, mud	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important wintering habitat. Feeds on benthic invertebrates (molluscs, worms) and small fish.
scoter, surf	Melanitta perspicillata	х	Sand, mud	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction, declining. Migrant and winter in nearshore coastal waters and estuaries. Feeds on benthic invertebrates (molluscs, worms) and small fish.
turnstone, black	Arenaria melanocephala		Rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	()	Potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds on rocky intertidal invertebrates on coastal reefs, rocks.

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
turnstone, ruddy	Arenaria interpres		Rock, sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Feeds on rocky intertidal invertebrates on coastal reefs, rocks, gravel beaches.
willet	Catoptrophorus semipalmatus	Х	Sand, mud	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	Potential human disturbance reduction. Coastal estuaries important habitat spring-fall. Feeds on benthic invertebrates in intertidal mudflats.
Marine mammals	3														
elephant seal, northern	Mirounga angustirostris		Pelagic both	0	300	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	Breed in the area, deep divers, would forage around the Farallones, sensitive to disturbance but not as sensitive as seals and sea lions
porpoise, harbor	Phocoena phocena	x	Sand, mud	0	60	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase home range is probably within the study region, potential human disturbance reduction (very shy). Has been impacted in past as fisheries bycatch (gill-net). Key into the superabundant prey - diet very similar to harbor seals
sea lion, California	Zalophus californianus		Both	0	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction - haul out in the area and boat activity could disturb them - key into superabundant prey - don't breed in the area except in small numbers on the Farallones
sea lion, Steller	Eumetopias jubatus	x	Both	0	30	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1		Ano Nuevo north central California population has declined, potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction; federally threatened - breed on Farallones and north of Fort Ross - would benefit from forage increase locally because they don't range as far as CA sealions
sea otter, southern	Enhydra lutris	X	Both	0	45	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	Resident in nearshore waters, esp. kelp beds. Feeds on benthic invertebrates, fish. Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Formerly more abundant and widespread. Federally threatened. Has been impacted in past as fisheries bycatch (gill-net).

		Most likely to benefit	Primary bottom type	Shallow depth (m)	Deepest depth (m)	Sm-mod adult home range (<20 km)	Currently mod-large take	Historic mod-large take	Low pop. estimate (<40% unfished)	Size structure shifted toward sm indiv	Vulnerable life history	Life stage to benefit (e.g., spawning, nursery area)	Habitat impacted (by human activity)	Ecologically important (keystone or habitat forming)	Comments
seal, harbor	Phoca vitulina	х	Both	0	45	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction - some bycatch and shooting still - key into superabundant prey - important link in trophic level don't feed very far offshore - foraging within a 10-12 mile area
seal, northern fur	Callorhinus ursinus		Pelagic	0	30	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	Potential for forage base increase, potential human disturbance reduction. Recently recolonized Farallon Islands after 100+ year absence. (forage beyond state waters, McChesney) - if numbers increase they could be ecologically important around the Farallones
whale, gray	Eschrichtius robustus		Sand, mud	0	30	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	Potential for forage base increase. Potential for human disturbance reduction feed in drakes, tomales, and bodega bays - oversummer in the region - females with young take refuge near shore could benefit from safe MPAs with abundant fish - important ecosystem impact turn up the bottom with digging
whale, humpback	Megaptera novaeangliae		Sand, mud	0	200	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	Potential for forage base increase; potential for human disturbance reduction. Federally endangered. do key into certain areas in the region and feed near Point Reyes headlands, mouth of San Francisco Bay,
whale, minke	Balaenoptera acutorostrata		Sand mud pelagic	0	30	0	0	ND	0	0	1	0	0	0	Females and calves occur in Drakes Bay and residents yea round - key into superabundant prey

Note: Marine mammal depths are preferred foraging depths

Seabirds reference: Seabirds by Peter Pyle: pubs.usgs.gov/circ/c1198/chapters/150-161_Seabirds.pdf and National Geographic Field Guide to Birds of North America

Marine mammals reference: Farallones Marine Sanctuary Assocation http://www.farallones.org/findings/index.php and Marine Mammal Center http://www.marinemammalcenter.org/learning/education; www.afsc.noaa.gov/refm/docs/2002/ecochap.pdf

Southern Otter breeding range: http://www.baynature.com/v07n03/v07n03_etg.html

Invertebrates reference: http://www.mbayaq.org/efc/living_species, etc.

^{*}Reference: http://72.14.253.104/search?q=cache:Lwn-nRiZce8J:www.dfg.ca.gov/Mrd/status/littleneck_clams.pdf+%22littleneck+clams%22+range&hl=en&ct=clnk&cd=2&gl=us&client=firefox-a

^{**}Reference: http://www.blueoceaninstitute.org/seafood/species/122.htm

Appendix II(b): Special status species likely to occur in north central coast California

Note that this list was originally compiled by NOAA staff to represent species expected to occur in the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary and has been edited to include other species of the MLPA North Central Coast Study Region.

		Federal	State	Other
Mammal Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Status	Status
Blue whale	Balaenoptera musculus	Е		MMPA
	musculus			
Fin whale	Balaenoptera physalus	Е		MMPA
Humpback whale	Megaptera novaeangliae	Е		MMPA
North Pacific right whale	Eubalaena japonica	Е		MMPA
Gray whale	Eschrichtius robustus	D		MMPA
Sei whale	Balaenoptera borealis	Е		MMPA
Sperm whale	Physeter macrocephalus	Е		MMPA
Killer whale	Orcinus orca	PT, SC (NMFS)		MMPA
Dall's porpoise	Phocoenoides dalli			MMPA
Pacific white-sided dolphin	Lagenorhynchus			MMPA
Risso's dolphin	Grampus griseus			MMPA
Northern right whale dolphin	Lissodelphis borealis			MMPA
California sea lion	Zalophus californianus			MMPA
Steller sea lion (Eastern	Eumetopias jubatus	Т		MMPA
stock)				
Guadelupe fur seal	Arctocephalus townsendi	Т	Т	MMPA
Northern fur seal	Callorhinus ursinus			MMPA
Harbor seal	Phoca vitulina			MMPA
Northern elephant seal	Mirounga angustirostris			MMPA
Southern sea otter	Enhydra lutris nereis	Т		MMPA

		Federal	State	Other
Bird Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Status	Status
Common Ioon	Gavia immer		SSC	
Short-tailed albatross	Phoebastria albatrus	E	SSC	
Black-footed albatross	Phoebastria nigripes	SC (FWS)		
Dark-rumped petrel	Pterodroma phaeopygia	E		
Ashy storm-petrel	Oceanodroma homochroa	SC (FWS)	SSC (SP)	
Fork-tailed storm-petrel	Oceanodroma furcata		SSC (FP)	
Black storm-petrel	Oceanodroma melania		SSC (TP)	

<u> </u>	Is		I = I	1
California brown pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis californicus	E	E	
American white pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos		SSC (FP)	
American bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus	SC (FWS)		
Least bittern	Ixobrychius exilis	, ,	SSC (TP)	
White-faced ibis	Plegadis chihi	SC (FWS)	,	
Harlequin duck	Histrionicus histrionicus	SC (FWS)	SSC (FP)	
California clapper rail	Rallus longirostris obsoletus	Ē	E	
California black rail	Laterallus jamaicensis coturniculus	SC (FWS)	Т	
Western snowy plover	Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus	Т	SSC	
Black oystercatcher	Haematopus bachmani	SC (FWS)		
Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	SC (FWS)		
Long-billed curlew	Numenius americanus	SC (FWS)		
Marbled godwit	Limosa fedoa	SC (FWS)		
Black turnstone	Arenaria melanocephala	SC (FWS)		
Red knot	Calidris canutus	SC (FWS)		
Elegant tern	Sterna elegans	SC (FWS)	SSC (TP)	
California least tern	Sterna antillarum browni	Е	Е	
Black tern	Chlidonias niger	SC		
Caspian tern	Sterna caspia	SM	BCC	
Gull-billed tern	(Sterna nilotica)	SC	BCC	
Royal tern	(Sterna maxima)	SC	BCC	
Marbled murrelet	Brachyramphus marmoratus	Т	E	
	marmoratus			
Xantus's murrelet	Synthliboramphus	SC (FWS) -	Т	
	hypoleucus	Candidate	222 (22)	
Cassin's auklet	Ptychoramphus aleuticus	SC (FWS)	SSC (SP)	
Rhinoceros auklet	Cerorhinca monocerata		SSC (TP)	
Double-crested cormorant	Phalacrocorax auritus		SSC	
Black-crowned night heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	SC		
"Tule" greater white-fronted	Anser albifrons elgasi		SSC (SP)	
goose	Dranta canadanaia			
Canadian goose	Branta canadensis leucopareia	Т		
"Aleutian" and "cackling"	Branta canadensis minima	D	SSC (SP)	
canada goose			(-)	
Saltmarsh common	Geothlypis trichas sinuosa	SC		
yellowthroat		-		
Black brant	Branta bernicla nigricans		SSC (TP)	
Redhead	Aythya americana		SSC (SP)	
Bufflehead	Bucephala albeola		SSC (TP)	
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus		SSC	

White-tailed kite	Elanus leucurus	SC		
Northern harrier	Circus cyaneus		SSC, SSC (SP)	
Sharp-shinned hawk	Acipiter striatus		SSC	
Cooper's hawk	Accipiter cooperi		SSC	
Ferruginous hawk	Buteo regalis	SC	SSC	
Golden eagle	Aquila chrysaetos		SSC	
Bald eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Т	Е	
Merlin	Falco columbarius		SSC	
American peregrine falcon	Falco peregrinus anatum	D, SC	E	
Yellow rail	Coturnicops noveboracensis		SSC, SSC (SP)	
Greater sandhill crane	Grus canadensi tabida		Т	
Long-billed curlew	Numenius americanus	SC		
California gull	Larus californicus		SSC	
Willow flycatcher	Empidonax traillii		Е	
Black skimmer	Rynchops niger	SC	BCC	
Tufted puffin	Fratercula cirrhata		SSC (FP)	_

		Federal	State	Other
Reptile Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Status	Status
Leatherback sea turtle	Dermochelys coriacea	Е		
Loggerhead sea turtle	Caretta caretta	Т		
Pacific ridley sea turtle	Lepidochelys olivacea	Т		
Green sea turtle	Chelonia mydas	T		

		Federal	State	Other
Fish Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Status	Status
Chinook salmon (spring run)	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	PT, T	Т	
Sac Rv and tributaries				
Chinook salmon (fall/late fall	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	SC (NMFS) -	SSC	
run) Sacramento river		Candidate		
Chinook salmon (winter run) Sacramento River	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	PT, E	E	
Chinook salmon (California Coastal) Redwood Ck to Russian River	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	Т		
Coho salmon (central CA coast ESU)	Oncorhynchus kisutch	PE, T	Е	
Steelhead (central CA coast ESU) Russian Rv to Soquel Creek	Oncorhynchus mykiss irideus	PT, T		
Steelhead (Northern California) Redwood Ck to Gualala River	Oncorhynchus mykiss	Т		

Steelhead (CA central valley)	Oncorhynchus mykiss	Т		
Tidewater goby	Eucyclogobius newberryi	E	SSC (QE)	
Pacific lamprey	Lampetra tridentata	SC (FWS)		
White sturgeon	Acipenser transmontanus	E		
Green sturgeon	Acipenser medirostris	SC (NMFS) - Candidate	SSC (QT)	
Cowcod	Sebastes levis	SC (NMFS)		
Bocaccio	Sebastes paucispinis	SC (NMFS)		
Canary rockfish	Sebastes pinniger	Overfished		
Longfin smelt	Spirinchus thaleichthys	SC		
California ("tomales") roach	Lavinia symmetricus		SSC	
Eulachon	Thaleichthys pacificus		SSC (WL)	
Bluefin tuna	Thunnus thynnus	SC		
Swordfish	Xiphias gladius	SC		
White shark	Carcharodon carcharias		Protected species	IUCN, CITES, CMS

Invertebrate Common Name	Scientific Name	Federal Status	State Status	Other Status
Black abalone	Haliotis cracherodii	SC (NMFS)		
Pinto abalone	Haliotis kamtschatkana	SC (NMFS)		
Sandy beach tiger beetle	Cicindela hirticollis gravida	SC		

		Federal	State	Other
Plant Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Status	Status
Beach layia	Layia carnosa	E		
Northcoast sand verbena	Abronia umbellata ssp. breviflora	SC		
Sea palm	Postelsia palmaeformis	SC		

Index of the listing codes used in Appendix II(b)

Federal Listing Codes		
ESA: Endangered Species Act of 1973 listing codes		
E	Federally listed as endangered	
Т	Federally listed as threatened	
D	Federally delisted	
PE	Proposed for federal listing as endangered	
PT	Proposed for federal listing as threatened	
PD	Proposed for federal de-listing	
Candidate	Candidate for federal listing as endangered or threatened	
SC	Species of concern	
SC (NMFS)	Species of concern by the National Marine Fisheries Service	
SC (FWS)	Species of concern by the US Fish and Wildlife Service	

State Listing Codes				
CESA: California Endangered Species Act listing codes				
E	State-listed as endangered			
Т	State-listed as threatened			
CE	Candidate for state listing as endangered			
СТ	Candidate for state listing as threatened			
SSC	Species of special concern			
BCC	Bird of con	Bird of conservation concern		
	QE	Qualify as endangered (fish list)		
	QT	Qualify as threatened (fish list)		
	WL	Watch list (fish list)		
	FP	First priority (bird list)		
	SP	Second priority (bird list)		
	TP	Third priority (bird list)		

Other Status Codes			
MMPA	Protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act		
IUCN	Included in the World Conservation Union's Red List of Vulnerable Species		
CITES	Protected under the Convention of Intertational Trade in Endangered Species of Fauna and Flora		
CMS	Protected by the Convention on Migratory Species		

Sources for special status species list

Original list from MBNMS

Point Reyes Giacomini Project Species List:

http://www.nps.gov/archive/pore/pdf/home_mngmntdocs/giacomini/site_background/table4.pdf

Point Reyes Threatened, Rare, and Endangered Species List:

Sources for special status species list

http://www.nps.gov/archive/pore/nature_wldlf_tande.htm

Airamé, S., S. Gaines, and C. Caldow. 2003. Ecological Linkages: Marine and Estuarine Ecosystems of Central and Northern California. NOAA, National Ocean Service. Silver Spring, MD. 164 p.

Mills, K. L., Sydeman, W.J. and Hodum, P. J. (Eds.), 2005. The California Current Marine Bird Conservation Plan, v. 1, PRBO Conservation Science, Stinson Beach, CA.

California ESA status: http://www.dfg.ca.gov/whdab/pdfs/TEAnimals.pdf

Federal ESA status: http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/species/esa.htm